

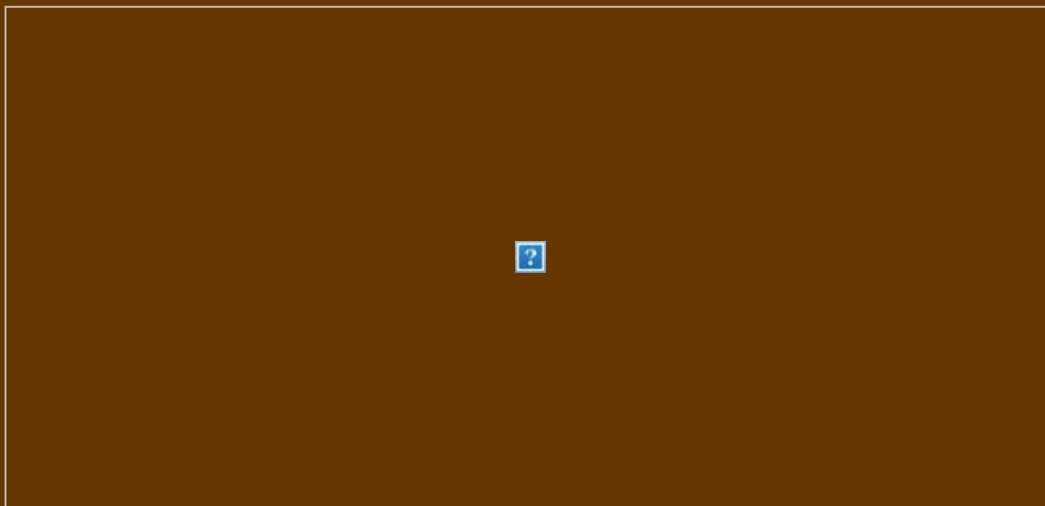
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What's Up Downtown

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MILLENNIAL AWARDS



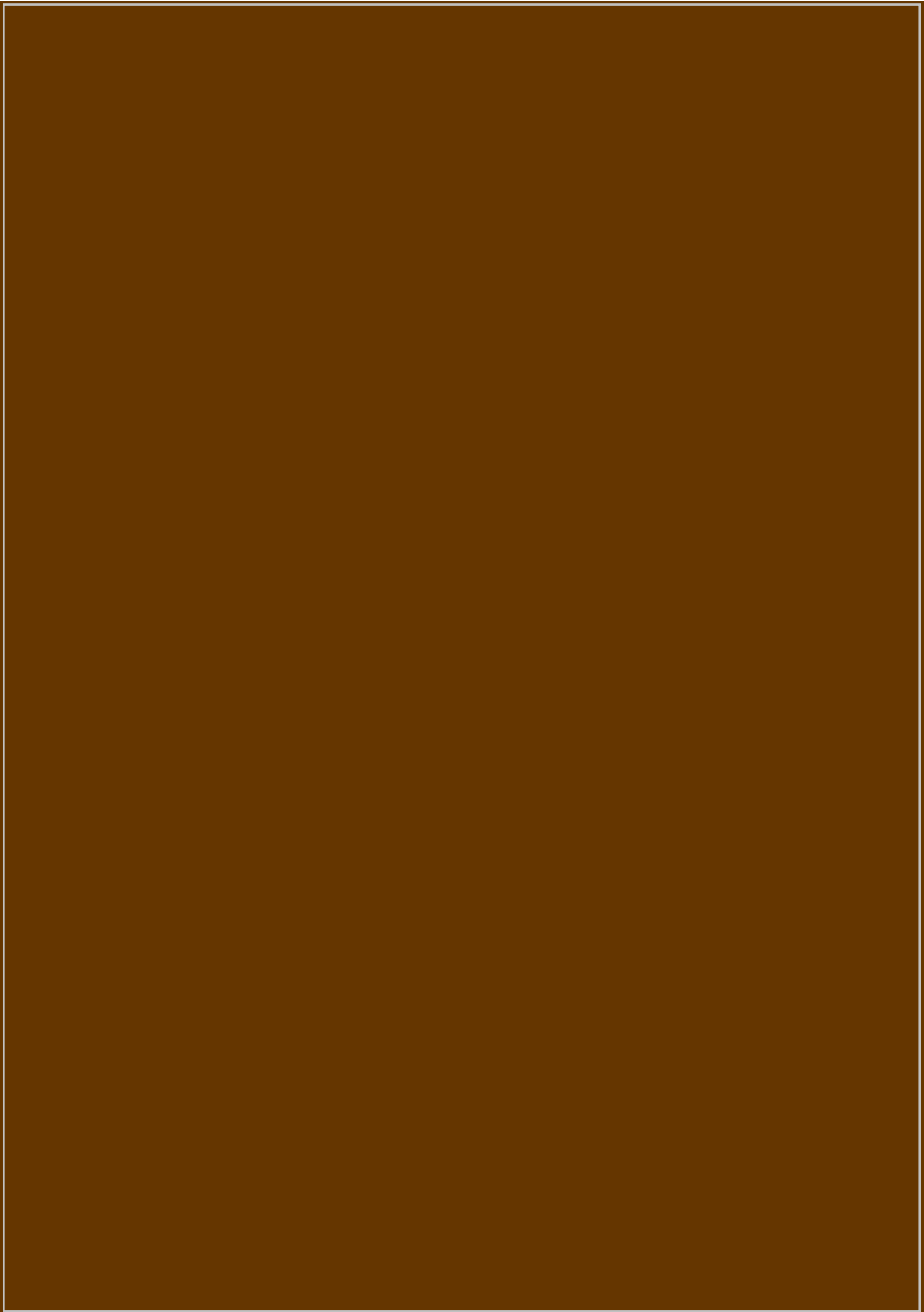
This year's Millennial Awards celebration will be held July 24 - 25 at The National World War II Museum located in Downtown New Orleans. The Millennials honors dynamic young professionals who contribute to the community through public service, make significant strides in business sectors, or serve as cultural

ambassadors. This year's event will be "A Salute to Service" in honor of the 10th Anniversary of Hurricane Katrina.

In honor of the 10th anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, tickets will be free of charge. In lieu of paying for a ticket, guests are asked to donate to one of the partner non-profit organizations. Guests can donate online or at the event via text messaging.

[Click here](#) to register for your free ticket to attend any of the Millennial Weekend events.

DDD HONORS DOWNTOWN ALL-STARS!



Check out this year's six honorees to be celebrated at the [Downtown NOLA Awards](#) luncheon on Friday, September 11 at the Astor Crowne Plaza located in [Downtown New Orleans](#) at 739 Canal Street. The luncheon will be held from Noon to 1:30 pm, with networking and cocktails before from 11:00 am to 11:45 am. [Click here](#) to view the honorees and to buy tickets.

Downtown Transit Center To Be Discussed at Public Meeting



The public is invited to an Open House meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 29, in the RTA Boardroom at 2817 Canal Street to provide input regarding the location of a Downtown Transit Center. Participants will evaluate preliminary sites and designs to assist the project team in determining a feasible alternative that will meet requirements for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding.

Those who need special assistance to participate in the meeting, including language translation, should call 504-228-2626 at least 48 hours in advance to make necessary arrangements.

Share a Coke® Summer Tour



Saturday, July 25th - 12pm to 6pm

The Share a Coke® 2.0 Summer Tour is stopping at [The Outlet Collection at Riverwalk](#) on Saturday, July 25th! From 12pm to 6pm, visit the #ShareaCoke setup located in Riverwalk's Food Court to

personalize two Coke® mini cans - one to keep and one to share!

The Share a Coke® Tour includes personalized Coca-Cola, Coke Zero and Diet Coke mini-cans, music and entertainment, a selfie photo station and more! To find out more about the tour, visit www.ShareaCoke.com.

PARK(ing) DAY NOLA



Submissions due Aug. 14

The [DDD](#) is holding an open call to artists, designers, architects, urban planners and any other local activists to submit design proposals to be constructed for New Orleans PARK(ing) Day. PARK(ing) Day is an annual, open-source global event where citizens, artists and activists collaborate to temporarily transform metered parking spaces into "PARK(ing)" spaces: temporary public places.

These temporary public spaces are sponsored by local businesses and organizations which understand the importance of carving out space for public use in increasingly dense urban environments. Each park developer will be responsible for funding their project. Park(ing) Day seeks to encourage community interaction and livability. We hope PARK(ing) Day will cultivate the sense of civic pride, improve our city's local urban environment, incubate new urban programs, and evolve the way we think about the design and craft of urban place making.

[Click here](#) for more information.

CHEF TASTE CHALLENGE 2015

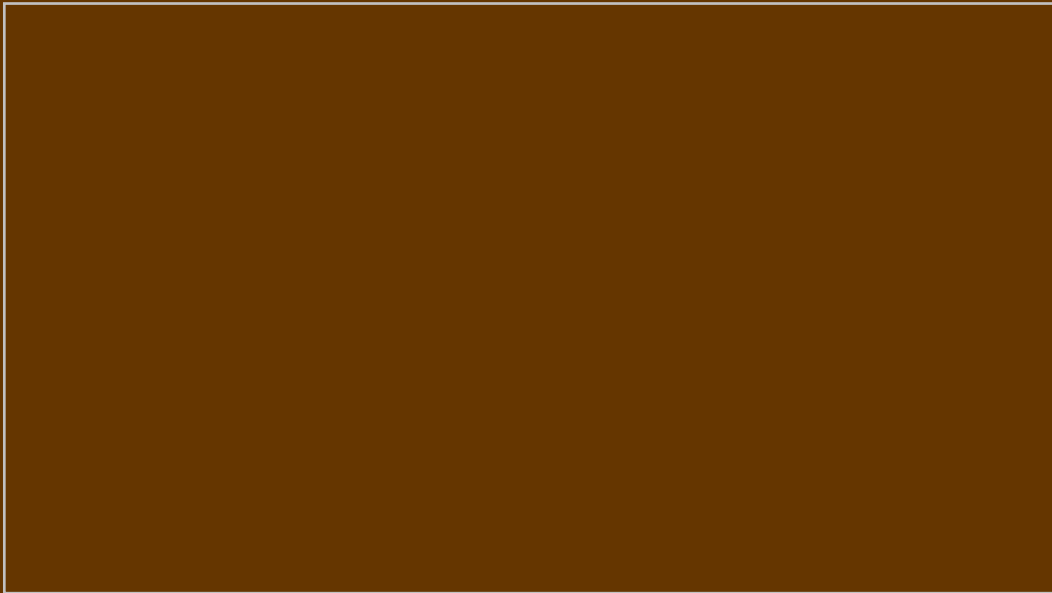


The [Farm to Table Chefs Taste Challenge](#) (CTC), scheduled for Friday, August 7 at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, aims to broaden awareness for the use of fresh, healthy, sustainable ingredients in preparing food. Ten chefs from various geographical regions across the United States will compete to create the best dish that utilizes farm-fresh items from a pantry of seasonal ingredients donated by State Agricultural Departments.

The term "farm to table" indicates locally-sourced product, but this unique national competition will showcase what locavores are eating around the country. It's pineapples from Hawaii, seafood from the Gulf of Mexico or Yellow Squash from Texas, attendees will experience the best and freshest ingredients, all in a single dining event.

[Click here](#) for more information.

TRAFFIC ADVISORY FOR 2015 REGIONAL CONVENTION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES



The City of New Orleans has issued a traffic advisory for the area around the Mercedes-Benz Superdome. Starting on Fri., July 24 at 7:00 a.m. and through the weekend, residents should expect heavy traffic around the Mercedes-Benz Superdome in both the river-bound and lake-bound lanes of Poydras Street from Loyola Ave. to Claiborne Ave. as residents and visitors participate in worship services for the 2015 Regional Convention of Jehovah's Witnesses. There will be a heavy presence of pedestrians, taxicabs, and coach busses in the area throughout the weekend.

With public safety as the top priority, the New Orleans Police Department will have officers assisting with traffic flow in the area during peak travel times. The public is encouraged to be patient and prepared for this heavy traffic, and to make transportation arrangements accordingly.

Parking enforcement personnel will be monitoring for illegal parking, including blocking hydrants, driveways and sidewalks, or parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk, intersection or stop signs. Motorists are also reminded to park in the direction of travel on one-way streets, and with the right wheel to the curb on two-way streets.

In addition, RTA services, including bus service, may be interrupted during this event. Details on any route changes are available at www.norta.com.

The Idea Village Opens Applications for its 2016 Accelerator Programs



The Idea Village is now accepting applications for the 2016 Entrepreneur Season accelerators. Founders looking to scale their ventures in New Orleans are invited to apply for three intensive programs at www.ideavillage.org.

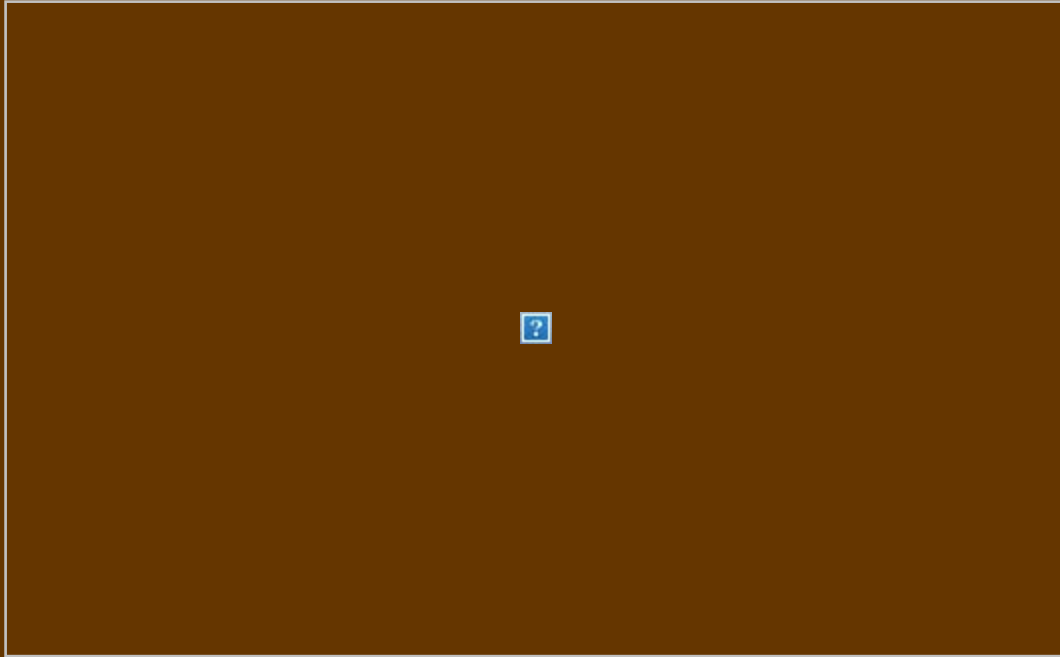
Applications for IDEAx and DIGITAL MEDIAx will close at 11:59pm CT on Saturday, August 22, and applications for ENERGYx will close at 11:59pm CT on Friday, September 4th.

Each program provides access to dedicated Entrepreneurs-in-Residence (EIRs) as well as The Idea Village's influential network of mentors and experts to ensure that participating entrepreneurs have the resources necessary to accelerate the growth of their ventures and develop the skills required to emerge as entrepreneurial leaders.

The Idea Village's accelerator programs are highly competitive in an effort to identify the most capable entrepreneurs. Of the 180 entrepreneurs that have gone through an accelerator, 83% are still in business and 91% are still located in New Orleans. Collectively, these entrepreneurs have raised over \$75 million in private capital, created over 1,300 jobs, and generate \$155 million in annual

revenue.

"HAPPENINGS IN THE ARTS DISTRICT"



LeMieux Galleries

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A Group Exhibition

Curated by Christy Wood and Jordan Blanton

The exhibition will be on view through July 25, 2015

LeMieux Galleries, 332 Julia St. 504-522-5988

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Canal Street Track Installation to Affect Traffic Patterns



HAPPENING NOW - Installation of the Half Grand Union, a special section of track that will connect the new North Rampart line to the Canal Street and UPT-Loyola lines. Construction will be a 24-hour, seven-day operation for approximately 30 days.

[Click here](#) for a list of the impacted areas.

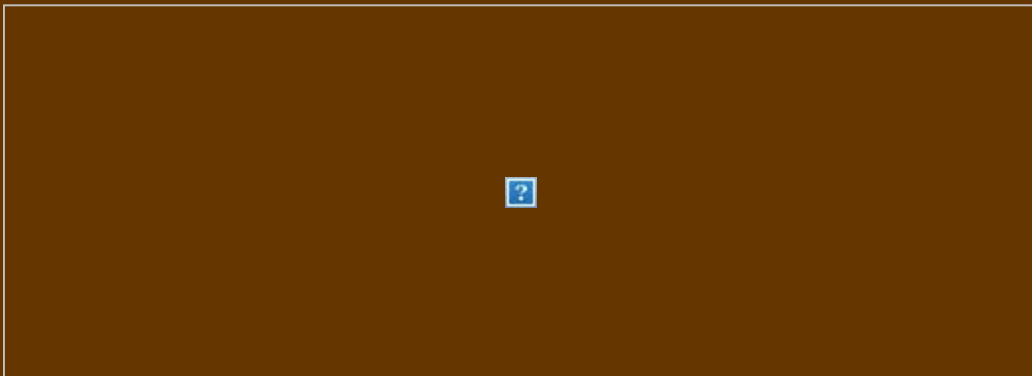
TRAFFIC COORDINATION MAP



View Areas Impacted by Construction

City of New Orleans Department of Public Works has traffic coordination maps for the major portions of the City that are currently being impacted by construction including Downtown New Orleans. Visit www.nola.gov/dpw/traffic-coordination to view them. The maps are updated every 2 weeks.

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Register Your Security Camera with NOPD to Help Fight Crime

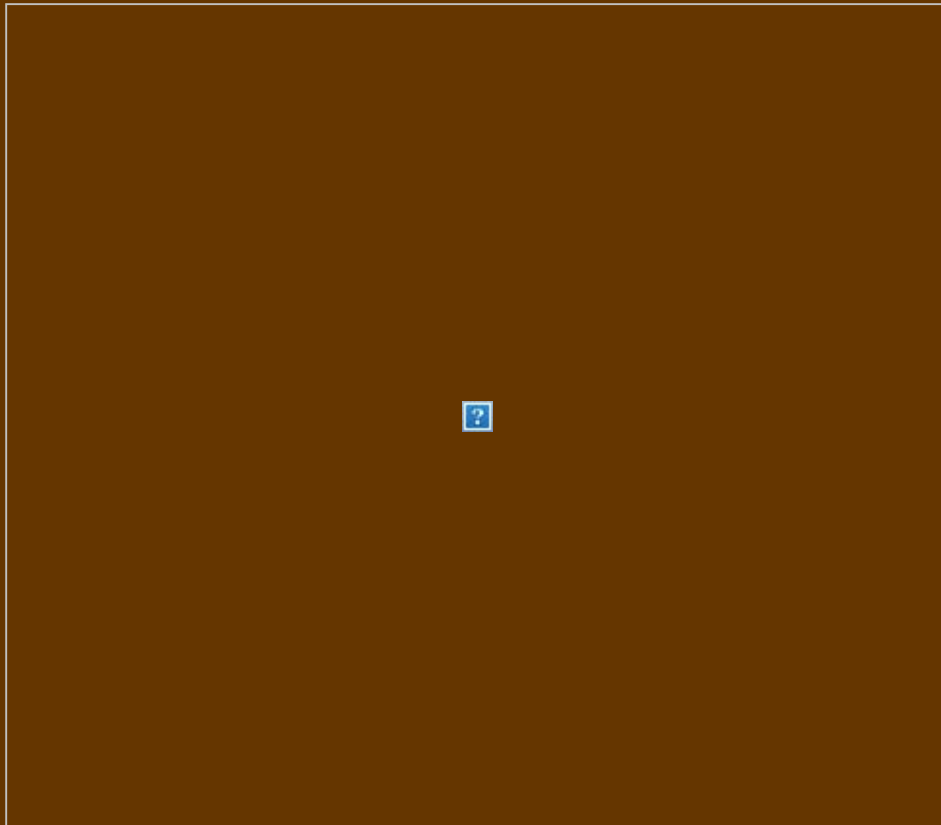
If you own a security camera in New Orleans, you can now register

it with NOPD to help detectives solve crimes in your neighborhood and provide strong evidence to put offenders away.

The New Orleans Police and Justice Foundation, in partnership with the NOPD, launched a new online service called Safecam NOLA. The program allows residents and business owners to register their security cameras with New Orleans Police. The SafecamNOLA project is an expansion of "Safecam8," which was an on-line program that Downtown residents and business owners in the Eighth Police District have been using for years to register their cameras with Eighth District police. The 1,302 8th District cameras that are in that system are now included in the citywide SafecamNOLA system.

Please visit www.SafecamNOLA.com to enroll today.

RECYCLING BINS BEING DELIVERED DOWNTOWN



In an effort to increase participation in the curbside recycling

program, the City of New Orleans has announced that citizens in Downtown New Orleans can now call 311 to request delivery of the blue recycling bins if their property is eligible for collection by the City.

Earlier this year, Mayor Mitch Landrieu announced the return of curbside recycling as a City service in the French Quarter and the Central Business District. Collection of recyclable materials takes place every Tuesday morning by Empire Services.

For more information visit www.nola.gov.



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